THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK) : (a) and (b) India is a licit producer of opium. Some cases of diversion of opium to the illicit channel presumably for preparation of heroin have come to notice. Eight illicit laboratories in 2001 and seven in 2002 used for conversion of opium into heroin were busted.

Activities of ISI along Indo-Nepal Border

3469. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government discussed the subversive activities of ISI along Indo-Nepal border with the King of Nepal during his recent visit to the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what was the response of Nepalese King in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK) : (a) to (c) During the meeting, various issues relating to Indo-Nepal border were discussed. It was assured by the Nepalese side that their terrority will not be allowed to be used for activities inimical to India's interests.

Cross-Border Terrorist Activities

3470. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the Chief Minister of Assam regarding the transborder terrorist activities being carried out by some militant outfits which are being provided shelter and materia and moral support from some of our neighbouring countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's response thereto and action, if any, taken thereor